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The Washington Review

By Larston D. Farrar
RELIGION IN THE USSR

The Soviet Information Bulletin, issued by the Soviet Embassy here, carries an interesting commentary on the paucity of ministers, churches and church publications in the U.S.S.R., as compared with the U. S. A.

"There are more than 3,000 Baptist churches in the U.S.S.R.," the Bulletin states. "Baptists form one of the country's largest religious communities. There is a Baptist presbyter in practically every region and district of the U.S.S.R. At the head of the community is the All-Union Baptist Council in Moscow. Sermons are published in the Baptist magazine, Bratski Vestnik, which is sold in every Soviet city."

The U.S.A., with less than two-thirds the population of Soviet Russia, has probably five times as many Baptist churches as there are in Russia. Instead of one Baptist publication, the U.S.A. has at least 75 such publications, plus countless publishing houses, book stores, old folks homes,

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Mississippi College Establishes Placement Bureau For Students And Graduates

Dr. D. M. Nelson, President of Mississippi College, has announced the availability of a Bureau of Appointments and Occupational Information. The Bureau is composed of what has heretofore been the Placement Bureau and also an occupational information service.

The primary purpose of the Bureau is to aid in the vocational placement of Mississippi College students and graduates. Mississippi College men and women other than those graduating or leaving school will also be accepted for registration. It is the purpose also of the Bureau to maintain occupational information which will be available to college students, and to

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ALL HOTEL RESERVATIONS AT MEMPHIS EXHAUSTED

Dr. Slater A. Murphy, chairman of the Entertainment Committee at Memphis states that "even now, four months in advance, more requests for hotel reservations have been received than can be supplied, and the hotels of Memphis have been generous in their allotment of rooms."

Continuing, Dr. Murphy said, "from Maryland to California, the number of reservations is growing daily. It is our belief that the location of Memphis in the center of the convention area, and its easy access by rail, highway and air, will contribute to make the 1948 attendance even larger than the record attendance of 8,300 messengers in St. Louis in 1947."

Requests for all rooms assignments
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N. M. GROUP SEEKS END OF "CATHOLIC INFLUENCE" IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

By Religious News Service

SANTA FE, N. M. — A Free Schools Committee organized in Dixon, N. M. to "rid tax-supported public schools" in the area of "Catholic influence and the use of nuns as teachers" plans court action to enforce its demands.

Mrs. Lydia Zellars, Committee chairman, said the group is raising funds for a legal suit to 'compel state and county boards of education to rule against Catholic use of tax-supported schools when such is against the will of the community."

Dixon, with a population of 1,200, has two public schools. One, built by the community, is manned by lay teachers; the other, owned by a Catholic order, is staffed by five nuns.

The Free Schools Committee objects to nuns teaching in the public schools, claiming that the sisters are infiltrating their instruction with "religious instruction."

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Moonshiner Who Heard Truett Pray Dies At 102

HIAWASSEE, Ga. — (BP) — "Uncle Jim" Barrett died last week at the age of 102, but the story of his conversion probably will be told and retold for another century.

Uncle Jim started life as a bootlegger of moonshine liquor. He was 42 when the change came. He was

walking through the woods to deliver a jug of moonshine to a customer, but all of a sudden on that delivery trip he stopped to listen, for he saw a man praying.

The praying man, really a youngster of 21, was on his knees by a log, and the bootlegger hid behind a fallen tree to hear and see what the other was doing.

That was Uncle Jim's last delivery of moonshine liquor, for he quit the business and joined the Union Hill

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The Baptist Hour

January 25

Speaker: Dr. Kyle M. Yates, Houston, Texas.

Subject: "Justice - Man to Man."

Heard over radio stations WGRM, Greenwood; WFOR, Hattiesburg; WS LI, Jackson; WAML, Laurel; WTOK, Meridian, at 7:30 AM, and on WAZF, Yazoo City at 8:30 AM the following Sunday.

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MARCH 28 IS THE DAY.

Mississippians To Receive Degrees From Southern Seminary



Twelve Mississippians are among the 232 men who are candidates for degrees from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., at the annual spring commencement exercises next May 7. They are:

Top row, left to right: Ralph Edwin Beets, Silver Creek, B. D. degree; Ervin King Brown, Jr., Columbus, B. D.; David Ruff, Grant, Plantersville, B. D.; Ernest Earl Kelly, Jr., Ecru, Th. M.

Second row: Clark W. McMurray, Doddsville, B. D.; Nathaniel G. Mayhall, Jr., Jonestown, B. D.; Eugene R. Patterson, Clinton, B. D.; and Perry Clifton Perkins, Columbus, B. D.

Bottom row: William Ennis Prout, Tupelo, Th. D.; Stanley J. Smith, Wanila, B. D. certificate; J. Thomas Tolar, Columbus, B. D.; and Charles Rolfe Tucker, Clarksdale, Th. M.

The 1948 graduate class will be the largest in the history of Southern Seminary, going beyond the previous all-time record of 218 of last year.

Baptist World Alliance Day

By Louie D. Newton

Baptist World Alliance Sunday, February 1, will afford the usual opportunity of acquainting our people with the history of the Alliance, and its chief purpose - "to show the essential oneness of Baptist people in the Lord Jesus Christ, to impart inspiration to the brotherhood, and to promote the spirit of fellowship, service, and cooperation among its members."

Also, and this is most important, to urge our people on this Baptist World Alliance Sunday to make an over and above offering for the twofold purpose of (a) relief for our suffering Baptist brethren throughout the world, (b) for the current budget of the Alliance in keeping with the program adopted at Copenhagen.

The Southern Baptist Convention is appropriating \$10,000, annually to the work of the Alliance, but this is not

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Early Reservations Urged For Vicksburg Conference

All who plan to attend the Evangelists Conference at Vicksburg, February 24-26, should make reservations immediately. Those who wish to stay in hotels will make their reservations directly to the hotels. Those desiring to stay in homes will write Dr. D. Swan Hayworth, % First Baptist Church, Vicksburg. The hotels and their rates are listed below.

The Vicksburg Hotel suggests that in all instances double rooms be taken and that these be shared by those attending the conference. Their rates are as follows: twin beds with private bath, \$6; one double bed with bath, \$4.75.

The rates at the Carroll Hotel are: Single room with bath, \$2.50 up; double room with bath, \$3.50 up; single room without bath, \$1.75; double room without bath, \$2.50; single room with connecting bath, \$2.00; double room with connecting bath, \$3.00.

The rates at the Earle Hotel are: single room with bath, \$2.50; double room with bath, \$3.50; single room without bath, \$1.50; double room without bath, \$2.50.

The rates at the Dixiana Motel are: double room with bath, \$4.00; room for three with bath, \$5.00; room for four with bath, \$5.00; roll away beds are available at \$1 extra.

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THE WASHINGTON REVIEW

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orphanages, hospitals, and a hundred-and-one other auxiliary activities.

Still, it will be surprising news to many Americans that the U.S.S.R. boasts of 3,000 Baptist congregations. The Baptists by all odds are the largest single evangelical denomination in that vast land.

SERMONS

Dr. Theodore W. Wedel, warden of the College of Preachers at the Episcopal Washington Cathedral here, had some strong words to say recently against ministers who use big words, hide their meaning in long, involved sentences, or otherwise fail to spend long periods of preparation on their sermons.

Speaking at the meeting of the Washington Ministerial Union, Dr. Wedel said that modern preaching suffers from a lack of variety in sermon topics, as well as a failure on the part of many ministers really to attempt to simplify their thoughts so that listeners not only can grasp the meaning of the sermon but abide by it.

He deplored gestures that are "too studied," and other artificial stratagems which characterize the delivery of many ministers.

ADVENTISTS AND LABOR UNIONS

Church lobbyists here are studying with interest the arrangement which exists between the Seventh-day Adventists and various unions by means of which individual members of the church do not have to join unions, although they work in closed shops.

Some 900 locals of the United Auto Workers (CIO) and the locals of 12 other international unions have signed agreements by means of which Adventists are freed from having to sign such agreements, or to sign any agreements made by employers and union groups. Right now, a closed shop is illegal anywhere, on account of the newly-enacted Taft-Hartley Bill, but a "Union Shop" is not prohibited.

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sufficient on our part to sustain the essential work of the Alliance. It is my hope that Southern Baptists will give at least \$25,000 on Baptist World Alliance Sunday as an over and above offering for this vital and cherished cause. This special offering has been approved by the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. It is expected that other American Baptist bodies will receive proportionate offerings on Baptist World Alliance Sunday, February 1.

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The WMU Rally at Ozona Church on January 2 is said by many to be the very best meeting we have had. Rev. J. Harold Jones led the devotional and Rev. D. Wade Smith preached the sermon. Mrs. Clyde Gordon, with the help of other associational officers, presented a play that is said to have been the climax to a great program. I was kept away because of flu. Maybe that is the reason it was so good. — S. J. RHODES, Associational Missionary.

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Rev. W. T. Johnson has resigned as pastor of West Union Church, Pearl River Association and will give his full time to Harmony and Ozona Churches. Mr. Johnson is a good pastor, a hard worker, and fully cooperative with all the Lord's work. This is the only church in the association at present that does not have a pastor. — S. J. RHODES.

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE ESTABLISHES PLACEMENT BUREAU FOR STUDENTS AND GRADUATES

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assist, in an advisory capacity, Mississippi College students in the making of vocational choices and adjustments.

Employers seeking competent workers qualified by college training are encouraged to communicate with the Bureau, which can be of service to them.

The Bureau is maintained as a service to Mississippi College men and women.

Dr. Guy C. Mitchell, Professor of Education and Psychology is serving also as Director of the Bureau of Appointments and Occupational Information.

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should be made promptly, addressing your request to Dr. Mark Harris chairman of rooms reservation committee, 601 No. Bellevue, Memphis, Tenn. No further requests should be sent to Codie D. Bell, chairman of the hotel reservations committee, nor to the hotels, as more requests for rooms should be sent to Dr. Harris, indicating your mode of transportation.

If you expect to attend the 1948 Southern Baptist Convention, Dr. Murphy has this friendly bit of advice, "send your reservation in now for assignment to a room in a private home. Only in this way can we be sure of getting enough homes enrolled for this service to our guests. We know we can do it, if we can get the reservations in early." Room assignments will be made beginning April 1, 1948.

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MOONSHINER WHO HEARD TRUETT PRAY DIES AT 102

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Methodist Church. And ever since then, Uncle Jim has been happy to tell of his "turn-about."

In the meantime, that youngster who was praying, a shooteacher at Hiawassee Academy, moved to Texas and became an outstanding Baptist minister—the late Dr. George W. Truett, for 47 years pastor of the First Baptist Church of Dallas, for three terms president of the Southern Baptist Convention, and later president of the Baptist World Alliance.

But Uncle Jim stayed in Hiawassee to tell of his experience and give his last 60 years of life to Christian service. Asked recently by Gainer E. Bryan, Baptist writer from Atlanta, if Truett prayed directly for him that day in the woods, Barrett replied:

"Well, he didn't call my name, but he prayed for all the sinners. That's when he got my number, if not my name. He didn't see me because he dropped to one knee by a log and started praying. I lay down by another log and silently listened.

"After his prayer, he got up and left. He never saw me. I went on with my jug of gin, delivered it to my friend but said, 'John, if you won't buy any more lick, I won't make any more.'

"A few weeks later, a change of heart and life came over me, and I joined the Union Hill Methodist Church. From then until now, I have not made a drop, sold a drop, nor drunk a drop, and all my 11 children are church members.

He's buried now in the little cemetery beside Union Hill Methodist Church. But that's the story he told happily for 60 years, and which undoubtedly will not die as long as the name of Truett is remembered.

Party Enjoyed By Greenwood Boys



One of the happiest events of the holiday season was the reception given to the Grace and Grit class of the Sunday school of the First church of Greenwood by the teacher, Mrs. J. C. Williams.

A miniature football game with an "egg shell ball" was played on the dining table where a field was laid off with candles carrying out the class colors being used for goal posts. A baseball game was played with Mrs. Williams serving as pitcher. She pitched questions about scripture passages in the popular quiz style.

After the games gifts for each guest were handed out and delicious refreshments served.

The Grace and Grit has reached the Standard and plans to say standard.

Shown above, of the approximately 20 guests, left to right, are: John Young, president of the Grace and Grit class at the First Baptist Sunday school at Greenwood; Kelly Gray, secretary-treasurer; James R. Paris, James Kelly Williams, Roy Petty, Mrs. J. C. Williams, Teacher; Billy Walker, Guy Futrall, III, Bobby Bone, vice president; Carl Bryant, Fritz Byrum and Walter.

EDITH M'DANIEL, LEXINGTON, MISSISSIPPI

The following is an excerpt from Harry Martin's "Footlights and Flickers" in the Commercial Appeal, December 13, 1947:

"The Edith Darling who made a hit this season as organist in the team of Darling-and-Jones at the elite Iridium Room at the St. Regis in New York is in reality Edith McDaniel of Lexington, Mississippi, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. McDaniel and a Blue Mountain College graduate." — Adv.

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Mt. Gilead Church, Lauderdale County, Rev. Alex McGrew Pastor, began the new year with a series of Prayer Meetings at the church December 31 - January 7. Since that time several services have been held in the homes of the sick and shut-ins.

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gious doctrine forced on all Catholic children and urged on Protestants also."

During the 1947 session of the state legislature a measure permitting religious instruction in the public schools by religious groups prepared or organized to do so was killed. Strongly backed by Roman Catholics, it was defeated in the house of representatives by a Protestant majority.

According to a formal report issued by the Free Schools Committee there are 122 nuns in public schools throughout the state.

"Their salaries paid by state funds go out of the state as tax-exempt money to their mother organization," the report stated. "In our county alone this amounts to approximately \$65,000; in the state to over one-fourth of a million dollars."

BATES LEADS BLUE MTN. COLLEGE IN VOCATIONAL EMPHASIS WEEK

Blue Mountain, Miss., Jan. 19 — Vocational Emphasis Week at Blue Mountain College was held last week under the direction of Miss Helen Bolt, student secretary. Rev. Carl Bates, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Texarkana, Tex., was the guest speaker Wednesday and Thursday. Mrs. J. E. Buchanan of Blue Mountain spoke on "How Marriageable Are You?" and "The Christian Home." Mrs. W. C. Tyler, corresponding secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union of the South, discussed "The World Reach of A Dedicated Life."

Student speakers were Lillian Tyre, Miriam Preston, Mary Louise Oakley, Bessie Mae Evers, Norma Jean John, Mary Lou McGee, Doris Dempsey, Myrna Jean Hocum, Betty Hubbard, Clyde Whiteside, Sylvia Burr, Ruth Swann, and Jean Yates.

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REACHING ARABS FOR CHRIST,

(\$1.50) by Ralph Fried and published by Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan. It is a book that will take you to the Arabs, a race of people very little known or heard of by the average Christian in connection with the preaching of the Gospel. Dr. A. A. Ironside declares: "to see conditions as they are through the eyes of Ralph Fried will give to many Christians a new conception of our responsibility to give to the sons of Ishmael that precious Gospel which the sons of Isaac originally gave to us." The author is chairman of the Palestine-Arabia Border Field. He has oversight of the missionary work of the Christian Missionary Alliance Board, in Palestine and Syria and is president of the newly established Palestine Baptist Institute for the training of native evangelists and Baptist women. Your order should be sent to the publisher or to the Baptist Book Store.

Mississippi Baptists--Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails." 1 Cor. 13:8

D. A. McCall, Executive Secretary, Phones 4-6384 and 3-2476, Baptist Building, Jackson, Mississippi. Home Phone 3581, Clinton, Mississippi.

"Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them." Jesus in Matthew 7:12



REV. C. W. THOMPSON AND SON

Before Christmas we snapped this picture of Brother Thompson, pastor of Aberdeen Baptist Church, and his fine young son who recently dedicated his life for full time Christian service. What a fine team -- a Christian father and a Christian son!

I

At the last convention, twenty-one new members were nominated for the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board. They were: H. D. Jordan, L. G. Sansing, F. K. Horton, J. B. Smith, W. S. Hardin, Kermit Canterbury, C. J. Smyly, Jack J. Cranford, A. R. Smith, K. R. Cofer, E. J. Caswell, S. R. Woodson, J. E. Cranford, D. S. Haworth, C. B. Bowen, C. O. Daniels, R. R. Brigrance, James C. Monroe, T. R. Coulter, J. B. Hemphill, and G. W. Smith.

A pastor always wonders what kind of members new deacons will make. Well we found these new members to be better than good, as usual! We were happy to join others in welcoming them to this vital place of service.

II

In making State Mission appropriations for 1948, the Convention Board at the last session found itself with over \$100,000.00 requested by churches for building aid alone. This was one half of the entire State Mission budget for all the work of State Missions. Manifestly, cuts had to be made. This was regretted by all. We feel the Convention Board did the best it could in a great State Mission program with the money available.

III

We started our 1948 schedule with an engagement at First Baptist Church, Indianola, Rev. David T. Cranford, pastor. The Indianola Church is one of our good Delta churches, and Brother Cranford is a warm hearted, spiritual leader. It was good to have fellowship and refreshment in the home with Brother Cranford and Mrs. Cranford and their little daughter.

Sunday evening we were with East Side Baptist Church, Rankin County. The house was filled by a congregation in fine spirit. They had all day services with a ground breaking for a lovely new house of worship. Rev. L. S. Polk is the very fine pastor and leads them in a good program.

Friday evening with Mrs. McCall we had an enjoyable visit in the lovely home of Mr. Paul Barclift and family. Among others present was Mr. Louis P. Cashman, editor of the Vicksburg Post. These friends print the Baptist Record and are among the most cordial persons with whom we have had the privilege to do business. Their friendship is refreshing!

IV

Rev. J. L. Moore, Dossville, is one of our very fine loyal pastors and constructive Board members. We enjoyed the refreshment of his home and a fine visit

with him, family members and others a few days ago.

Sunday morning we spoke to Bruce Baptist Church, Rev. J. B. Middleton, pastor. This church has a lovely new house of worship and a home for the pastor of the same sort. They are an aggressive people. Brother Middleton and his family are among the best.

At night we spoke to a large congregation at First Baptist Church, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. Dr. N. D. Timmerman, former Mississippi leader, is their pastor. The congregation was very responsive. They have some fine young people there. Dr. and Mrs. Timmerman are having great success in their work.

It was good to see Dr. D. I. Purser, another former aggressive Mississippi pastor. He now lives at Tuscaloosa, and we are sure in his retirement adds strength to the work there.

By invitation of Dr. John Maguire, one of the top Executive Secretaries of the South, we spoke twice to the Associational Moderators and Associational Clerks in conference at the Baptist Building, Jacksonville, Florida. All but two associations were represented. The spirit ran high. It was good to enjoy refreshment and fellowship in the lovely home of Dr. and Mrs. E. D. Solomon, Mississippians. They send their love to folks back home.

On the above trip we piloted our own plane. It was an interesting trip despite rough weather on the return voyage.

V

Question: Why would you even consider going to another state while doing the work you are with us in Mississippi?

Answer: Well, I didn't go, did I? However, the work appealed to me beyond measure! I like to pioneer for Christ! Those folks are great, reminding me of you folks here at home! They have a great Executive Secretary! There was the challenge of building a Baptist - Christian - New Testament College from the ground up, putting the study of the Bible first - giving ministerial students a proper place of leadership in the life of the college - putting soul winning, missions - church building - Cooperative Program - denominational life - in top places. It seems to me students in a Baptist College should know how to build a New Testament Church - should know the Co-operative Program workings from stem to stern, and should know denominational life inside and outside. They should know how to form a church budget, put on an Every Member Canvass, take a census, develop an associational program, outline a calendar of activities, and many other interesting and profitable things. The denomination gives the Baptist College life, breath, and sustenance! Instead of being a problem child it should stand out in spirituality, in the practice of Christian ethics, and scriptural leadership!

Our Baptist colleges are rendering many fine services. They might easily multiply their services and effectiveness along the above lines! They should more nearly approach the maximum for Christ!

VI

A great evangelist says "whatever the Bible says is so!" We think he means it! Doxology!

A wise elderly man told a young preacher, "age needs youth to keep age from drying up. Youth needs age to keep youth from blowing up!"

Over the radio came these words, "not once in the Bible is the sinner told to go to church. All through the Bible God's people are admonished to go to the sinners!"

VII

Baptists dedicate babies to the Lord both before and after they are born and we think rightly so. Baptists do not baptize or christen babies for two reasons. First, there is nothing in the New Testament suggesting that it be done and

second it contravenes New Testament teachings regarding personal salvation preceding baptism.

VIII

I do not know whether we Baptists generally believe in the joys of Heaven, the horrors of Hell!

We do almost anything to put off as long as possible going to Heaven!

We do mighty little to keep others from the horrors of Hell!

IX

Do you know the height at which a meteorite is set on fire by air friction?

Do you know that a balloon carrying instruments only has gone up over 23 miles?

Do you know that a balloon carrying a passenger has gone up over eleven miles?

Do you know that clouds are not found above eight miles in altitude?

Do you know that an airplane has gone above 43,000 feet in altitude?

Do you know that a kite has been flown at over 23,000 feet altitude?

Do you know the name and height of the highest mountain in the world?

Do you know that the human body supports at sea level an air pressure of 14.7 pounds per square inch?

Do you know that an ocean diver may go 300 feet in a regulation suit?

Do you know that a submarine has gone down 383 feet?

Do you know that a mine shaft has been sunk for 7,500 feet?

Do you know that they have gone down 10,500 feet for oil successfully?

Do you know that the deepest point in the ocean is 6½ miles off the Coast of Mindandao, P. I.?

Whether you know these things or not-- You know that Clarke College is a great Christian Junior College -- that Mississippi Baptists are praying to highest Heaven about it -- that they are going to dig deep in their pockets and bring up \$350,000 to meet the needs there in bringing Christ to multitudes of young people!

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Reports received by the Sunday School Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board indicate that several thousand churches studied the Book of Ephesians last week.

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EIGHTY-EIGHT ATTEND GREENWOOD SUPPER MEET Men Made Excellent Waiters

The Teachers and Officers of the First Baptist Church Greenwood recently had 83 teachers and officers at their regular supper meeting on Wednesday evening. Including five deacons who are not teachers nor officers of the Sunday School, there were eighty eight present.

A delicious spaghetti supper was served by the Adult Department of the Sunday School. The tables were decorated with HAPPY NEW YEAR motifs and bells and greenery. The men in the department donned aprons and made excellent waiters.

The Superintendent of the S. S. is Charles E. Sampson, who served as Master of Ceremonies. After his plans for the month were presented he introduced the pastor, Rev. J. H. Kyzar, who brought an inspirational New Year's message. The departmental meetings were then held and plans for the promotion of Sunday School work were made.

The Sunday School is showing much interest in the work and the spirit is excellent.

Miss Cartledge To Direct Religious Education At Daniels Church



MISS LOUISE CARLEDGE

Miss Louise Cartledge of Winona has recently assumed a position as Educational Secretary at the Daniel Baptist church, Rev. Wayne E. Todd, Pastor. Before coming here, she was Educational Director of the First Baptist Church, Danville, Kentucky.

During the time she was there, a number of projects were promoted. Some of them are, the publication of a church newspaper, the beginning of a complete training program for the officers and teachers of the Sunday School, the beginning of an all church membership filing system, the holding of one of the most successful Bible Schools ever held in the church, with an enrollment of 290 and an average attendance of 230, and a recreational program for the young people of the church.

Miss Cartledge graduated at Blue Mountain College and has been teaching in the public schools of the state for the past few years. She served as half time church secretary at the First Baptist Church in Winona, for a time.

In addition to employing an educational secretary, the Daniel Church has just adopted a new budget of \$22,000.00, has voted to appoint a committee to begin studying plans for a building program, has purchased a new parsonage. In the past two months, the church has had 25 additions.

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Editors To Meet At Biloxi

NASHVILLE, Tenn. —(BP)— Annual mid-winter meeting of Southern Baptist editors will be held at Biloxi, Miss., on the gulf coast, February 12-13, Dr. O. W. Taylor of Nashville, association president, announced.

The program will feature discussions by three journalism professors from Baptist colleges, which men have made a three-months study of publications represented in membership of the association. They are Prof. E. E. Folk of Wake Forest College, North Carolina; Prof. Frank E. Burhalter of Baylor University, Texas; and Prof. J. R. Scales of Oklahoma Baptist University. They will discuss, respectively, the mechanics, the means, and the message.

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Revenue vs Morals

The finest expression of this sense of newspaper responsibility that I have lately come upon was the editorial in the Anderson, S. C., Daily Mail, December 3, in which Published Wilton Hall devoted his leading editorial to "Revenue vs. Morals," citing the fact that the City of Anderson takes in something like \$50,000 a year from liquor, wine and beer taxes, which is the equivalent of three mills of their present taxes.

"But," he asks, "aren't we paying a terrible price for those paltry thousands when an average of one in seven persons in the city's population is jailed in a year for drunkenness, or for crimes growing out of drunkenness? Isn't the saving of three mills of taxes a terrific price to pay for the social decay and moral decadence that is gnawing away at the vitals of our society through the continuing and unlimited use of liquor, especially by the young men and women of our community?"

That, I repeat, is the finest note I have anywhere come upon in a daily newspaper's acknowledgment of what is going on in this country.

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Catholics Solicit Baptist Money

Dr. William B. Lipphard, editor of Missions, the mission magazine of Northern Baptists has sent us a folder sent out by the Roman Catholic Hierarchy in Mississippi. The folder was sent to him by a Baptist of Connecticut to whom it was mailed from Natchez.

Dr. Lipphard is also President of the Associated Church Press which includes nearly 200 Protestant Church papers. It is the first time that a Baptist editor has been elected to this position. The term is for two years.

We wonder if this means that Northern Baptists are being asked

to support Catholic work in Mississippi?

We confess that there is plenty to do in Mississippi but doubt the propriety of asking Baptists to support a work that is everything else but Baptist.

It may confidently be assumed by Southern Baptists that our brethren in the Northern states will make no response to such appeals. They have enough work on their hands in financing their own world wide task of missions and evangelism. Their World Mission Crusade whose objective was \$14,000,000 was oversubscribed by more than \$2,000,000.

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The Wrong Way

In a recent edition of a Southern Baptist Paper the following item appeared Church is to give a Black and White comedy and sponsor a popularity contest at Cleveland High School, Thursday, November 13 at 8:00 p. m. for the benefit of the church.

We do not have the position of supervising churches but we would call attention to the fact that the most foolish way in the world to raise money for a church is by such a plan.

Nowhere in the Scriptures are Christians called on to buy oyster stews, ice cream cones, or pay admittance to a play to raise money for God's work. The Scriptural Plan is tithes and offerings.

Anytime that a church puts on a show to raise money, they are competing with people who make their living in such a business. Any oyster supper or ice cream supper put on by a church is in competition with ice cream dealers and restaurant proprietors.

Very few Mississippi churches raise money in this way and we long to see the day when no one follows this doubtful practice.

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Dawson Compares Communism And Catholicism

(Editor's note: We commend to every Baptist this article written by Dr. J. M. Dawson, Public Relations Secretary, of the Baptists of the United States).

In Europe two totalitarian systems are in mortal grapple. The Russians represent political totalitarianism; the Roman Catholics represent ecclesiastical both these systems most serious defects which compel disapproval.

To state the case: In Communism, on the one hand, Baptists cannot abide its atheism, materialistic philosophy and denial of freedoms, particularly of religious freedom. In Catholicism, on the other hand, Baptists cannot con-

sent to its official intolerance with denial or abridgement of religious freedom to non-Catholics in all lands wherever it has continued dominant, nor can they consent to its insistence on clerical participation in civil government and demand for governmental support, including financial aid out of tax funds for church institutions.

As to the true relationship existing between church and state. Baptists hold the two should be entirely separate. This does not mean that state and church should be hostile toward each other, but to the contrary, they should be sympathetically cooperative. They are two different orders with distinctly different functions and operating on different bases. The state has to do with civil relationships and derives its authority from law, empowered with force. The church has to do with moral relationships among men and spiritual relationships with God, and its authority is purely moral, dependent upon reason and love, using means harmonious to them, without resort to force.

Civil government is divinely sanctioned, though no particular state can claim to represent the infallible will of God. Obviously when Paul wrote "The powers that be are ordained of God," he was not asserting the Roman Empire as such constituted the express agency of God, but only that it stood on God's recognition of the necessity for civil government. The exact form of government is left to man's judgement, to be guided by divine principles as men may conceive them. Thus our cherished democracy itself must construe "the voice of the people is the voice of God" only when it is clearly the embodiment of divine principles.

The tense rivalry between the Communist theory and the Russian program on one side and the aggressive campaign of the Roman Church to retain its influence by claiming to be the Supreme, absolute Christian ideal and program has produced a situation unprecedented. Without clear, discriminating thought and loyal adherence to fundamental principles, decisions exceedingly hurtful to human progress may be pressured. The danger is all the more serious in the fact that the Soviets assume that the United States is linked for economic and political imperialism. The Roman Church encourages this Soviet claim by aligning the power and prestige of the United States in its vigorous fight against Communism and Russia, as if the United States had become a great advocate and promoter of Catholicism.

Baptists in refusing to march

under the Catholic banner in order to stand against the evils we see in Communism feel we must never lose sight of basic freedoms, especially religious liberty as guaranteed through separation of church and state. We cannot, therefore, afford to abandon our historic, espoused principle of religious freedom under a mistaken idea that temporary expedient surrender of them to the Catholic group, which has historically denied such freedom, will prove the most effectual deliverance from the dire Communist threat.

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THE WORLD'S GREATEST DECADE by L. L. Gwaltney, Birmingham Printing Company 1947. \$2.75. It has been a long time since I have read a book so interesting and so instructive as this book by Dr. L. L. Gwaltney, Editor of the ALABAMA BAPTIST. It is a rare combination of history, personal matters, philosophy and religion. It is a good tonic for any Baptist. The book is divided into three parts. The first part is a keen analysis of some of the greater and more revolutionary movements in the world since 1940. Rarely does one find so much packed in so little space. This section gives history, interpretations and prophecies concerning nearly everything from Pearl Harbor to the United Nations, from pacifism to prohibition, from the atomic bomb to the race question. The second part is about the Southern Baptist Convention, of which Dr. Gwaltney has attended the annual meetings since 1911. Baptist history, Baptist polity, Baptist doctrines and Baptist principles are illuminated into rare clarity. If the chapter called "CONCERNING BAPTIST DOCTRINES" is read widely and intelligently, it is likely to create as big a stir in the denomination as the atomic bomb has done in world affairs. The third part of the book concerns the Alabama Baptist Convention in which Dr. Gwaltney has played such a helpful and devoted part. Much of this is personal with him, but it will be read with interest by Baptists wholly unfamiliar with internal affairs of Alabama Baptists. The Book may be ordered from any Baptist Book Store. — RO- LAND Q. LEAVELL.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE January -8, 1948

	SS	BTU
Centreville	84	49
Pascagoula, First	301	112
Gulfport, First	354	115
Booneville, First	139	87
Houlka, Chickasaw County ..	31	28
Chester, Choctaw County	33	
Friendship, Pike County	81	62
Hattiesburg, Main Street ..	508	283
Hattiesburg, Twenty-eighth Ave.	66	
Hattiesburg, Fifth Ave.	313	134
Byram	51	45
New Albany	228	112
Crystal Springs	299	67
Laurel, South	55	40
Laurel, West	236	100
Jackson, Parkway	390	193
Jackson, First	831	381
Jackson, Van Winkle	160	153
Jackson, Calvary	802	304
Jackson, Calvary including Stone St. Mission ..	839	332
Bay Springs	80	
Jackson, Northside	258	85
East McComb	377	211
Oloh, Marion County	90	106
Houlka, Chickasaw County ..	77	23
Oak Grove, Calhoun County ..	60	33
Enon, Panola County	81	74
Batesville	231	55
Louisville, First	357	134
Louisville, First including S. Louisville Mission ..	375	
New Prospect, DeSoto County ..	75	85
Ellisville	273	89
Long Beach, First	150	54
Carmel, Lawrence County ..	152	105

GOING PLACES

A. L. GOODRICH



REV. JOE T. ODLE

GULFPORT MAKES IT 60,000

All Baptist Record friends owe a debt of gratitude to Rev. Joe T. Odle and the First Baptist Church of Gulfport. The adoption of the EVERY FAMILY Plan by this church and the addition of 518 names enabled the Baptist Record to pass the 60,000 mark in circulation the week of December 18.

Having had the EVERY FAMILY Plan at Crystal Springs, where he was formerly pastor, as well as all churches where he has been pastor during the past 15 years, Mr. Odle knew its value and set that as one of his objectives for 1947. Other accomplishments at Gulfport since becoming pastor on February 15, 1947 include 306 additions; additions every Sunday; an increase of approximately 200 in the Sunday School enrollment; splendid growth in the Training Union, and more money raised last year than ever before as well as more money given to missions than ever before in the same length of time.

Harrison County Record Readers are now listed as follows: Gulfport, First 518; Big Ridge 11; Biloxi, First 195; Biloxi, Second 55; Crane 1; Gulfport, Bowen Memorial 39; Gulfport, East Side 43; Gulfport, Grace Memorial 92; Handsboro 22; Long Beach 65; Mississippi City 2; New Hope 31; Pass Christian 49; Sharon 1; West Gulfport 10; and Wolmarket 7.

HODGE PROMOTES RECORD

Not only does pastor G. C. Hodge of First Church Biloxi believe in the Baptist Record but he believes in seeing that the new members of the church get it.

When a member joins on Sunday, a letter signed by the pastor is mailed on Monday. We commend this letter to other pastors. A copy follows:

Beginning next week and continuing each week thereafter, you should receive the Baptist Record. It should arrive on Friday of each week.

The Baptist Record is a Baptist news paper, owned and published by the Baptists of Mississippi. It has more paid subscribers than any news paper in the state.

This paper is being sent to you with the compliments of your church, the First Baptist Church of Biloxi. Your church is sending this paper to you, trusting that it will enable you to more quickly get acquainted with and adjusted to Baptist work in the state and world.

The names of many of the people and churches mentioned in the Record may be strange to you at first, but if you will read the Record every week they will become familiar to you. And if you will as often as possible attend the State Conven-

JESSE I. NEWTON

Since in the wisdom of God, He has seen fit to take from our midst a loving companion, a kind and loving father and grandfather, a good neighbor and a true untiring Christian worker, deacon and Sunday School superintendent of the DeSoto Baptist Church, our brother in Christ, Jesse I. Newton.

BE IT RESOLVED, that we extend to the members of his family our sincere sympathy in their great loss and may God's richest blessings rest upon them.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we, as friends and co-workers, express our gratitude to God for his life and influence, realizing we have sustained a great loss of one who cannot be replaced in our hearts, yet we humbly bow to our Lord and Maker's call, realizing our loss is his gain.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of these resolutions be given the family, a copy placed on the minutes of the DeSoto Baptist Church and copies sent the Baptist Record and Clarke County Tribune for publication.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. M. T. ROGERS

MRS. T. N. WALLER

REV. H. D. BOOTH

Resolutions Committee

DeSoto Baptist Church

DeSoto, Mississippi

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Texas Baptists Get Loan Fund For Rural Churches

DALLAS, Texas —(BP)— A revolving loan fund for the building and repairing of rural churches has been set up by the Executive Board of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

The plan is the suggestion of a Texas ranchman and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Smith of Odessa, who started it with a cash contribution of \$10,000 and a first lien note of \$5,000.

Loans are to be made at 3 per cent interest per annum with 2 per cent going back into the funds and 1 per cent to the Baptist board for handling of the transactions. No loan can be made to a church building costing more than \$10,000.

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Mrs. C. M. Truex has resigned as Executive Secretary of the Missouri W. M. U., Miss Eva Berry has been elected as the new secretary.

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MARCH 28 IS THE DAY.

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A revised and enlarged edition of Helps for Soul-Winners (2.) by L. E. Barton, A. M., D. D. has recently come from the press. The two new chapters, "The Joy of Salvation," and "Compassion", are well worth the price of the book. Orders should be sent to the author at 1607 South Hull St., Montgomery 6, Ala., or to the Baptist Book Store.

The Brotherhood of the First Church Grenada, Dr. Glen Eric Wiley pastor, practiced some real christianity during the holidays. The Benevolence Committee investigated the needs of the people in the community who did not have as abundant supply of good things as most others. They found there were 70 families in that class. Consequently over \$900 worth of food stuff was given to these needy families (over 70) baskets at Christmas.

Baptists of Long Run Association in Kentucky have loaded a full freight car with clothes for Baptist world relief.

tions, county, district and state conferences and assemblies, you will meet and become personally acquainted with them.

In addition to the news articles, you will find in the Record an exposition of the Sunday School lesson for the following Sunday each week.

May we make this simple request of you? If you ever change your address, please notify us at once so we can keep your mailing address up to date. If we can serve you at any time, please call us.

Yours in Christ,
G. C. HODGE



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AN UNUSUAL PROGRAM

The following song sermon was used at Northside Baptist Church, Jackson, Mississippi, W. Lowrey Compere, pastor, recently:

"I AM RESOLVED"

Hymn, "I Am Resolved" — Congregation.

Prayer —

Offertory —

"Jesus Savior Pilot Me" — Men's Ensemble.

I. I AM RESOLVED TO GROW

1. I am resolved to grow in faith. I want to trust Christ more completely in all circumstances.

Hymn, "Have Faith In God." — Congregation.

2. I am resolved to grow in love. I shall pray that I may love Christ more deeply and show my love in faithful service.

"More Love To Thee" — Congregation.

3. I am resolved to grow in holiness. I shall try to live a holier life, resisting sin in every form and practicing positive righteousness.

"More Holiness Give Me" — Choir.

II. I AM RESOLVED TO GO

1. I am resolved to go to the Word of God in study and meditation. I shall spend more time with my Bible, that I may learn more about God.

Hymn, "Thy Word Have I Hid" — Congregation.

2. I am resolved to go to God in prayer. I shall cultivate the habit of daily communion with Him.

"The Ellisville Baptist church had its first watch night service on New Year's with a group of 150 present. The program was varied and entertaining. At 9:00 o'clock the group gathered for the various entertainments enjoyed during the evening, which included the showing of a recent Old Miss-Kentucky football game and a picture on the apple industry in Washington. Both of these films were educational and enjoyed by all who saw them. Later in the evening, the groups broke up into departmental stations—Juniors, intermediates, and young people. The climax of the evening was a devotion period led by Miss Mary Tom Berry, at the passing of the old year and ushering in of the new year."

Mrs. Vanie S. Cox, treasurer of Sarah Baptist Church recently sent in the renewals for the EVERY FAMILY plan and added three new names. These renewals helped the Baptist Record toward the 60,000 mark.

The Magee Baptist church enjoyed a real Spiritual meeting January 5-8, when Rev. J. B. Smith, the new Pastor, taught the Book of Ephesians. We enrolled 65, and had good attendance each evening. Bro. Smith is an excellent Bible teacher, and our people thoroughly enjoyed it, and hope to have another meeting of this kind. — Reporter.

"Did You Think to Pray?" — Choir.
3. I am resolved to go to the lost with the Gospel. By my words, by my deeds, and by my attitudes of life I shall try to win others to the knowledge of Him who died to save them.

Hymn, "Lead Me to Some Soul" — Congregation.

III. I AM RESOLVED TO GIVE

1. I am resolved to give regularly and cheerfully of the money God entrusts to me, that the Gospel might be preached throughout the world.

Hymn, "I Gave My Life" — Congregation.

2. I am resolved to give Christ my loyalty. I shall seek to serve Him faithfully and well. I realize that He expects and deserves my best.

"Our Best" — Youth Choir.

3. I am resolved to give my life to Christ. Knowing that He gave His life for me, and that the only way to find life's highest usefulness and happiness is to yield myself to Him, I shall seek earnestly to live the surrendered life.

Hymn, "Have Thine Own Way" — Congregation.

THE CHURCH COVENANT

Hymn, "I Am Resolved" (verse 3) — Congregation.

Benediction.

The church covenant was printed on the back of the program. This is an unusual program and can be used by churches when their pastors are away or present.

BETHEL BAPTISTS VOICE OPPOSITION TO LIQUOR

Opposition to legalized liquor and the black market tax was voiced in a resolution recently adopted by the Bethel Baptist Church near Poplarville, according to moderator Rev. T. L. Pfeifer and church clerk Roy DeFreese.

Declaring that history and statistics reveal that the legalization of alcoholic beverages in any form has proven detrimental and is a liability rather than an asset, the resolution charges that legalization will incur a "tremendous expense in the upkeep of prisons, alcoholic psychiatric institutions, and delinquency in all forms."

A copy of the resolution has been mailed to the county representative, state senator and speaker of the house. It was unanimously adopted.

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The W. M. U. Associational Officers of Warren County met at the First Church, Vicksburg on January 15 to plan the year's work. The meeting was in charge of Mrs. R. L. Redell, Associational Superintendent. Details of the W. M. U. were scheduled and a program outlined.

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MISS PAULINE HARGIS

Miss Pauline Hargis, superintendent of Beginner work of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., will be with us to direct this work at our Mississippi Baptist Sunday School Convention which meets at Meridian, March 9-10.

Beginner workers, please save that date and be there!

RIDGECREST PLANS CHANGED AGAIN

Please Note: Ridgecrest reservations will be made with the Management there, as heretofore, and not through the state secretaries as stated in this column last week.

Therefore, please write to Mr. Robert Guy, Ridgecrest, N. C., for your reservations for either of the three Sunday school weeks for 1948.

The dates of these three weeks are: June 24-30; July 1-7, and August 12-18. The first and second weeks will have a program similar to these weeks in former years, but the third week will be a special week with a different program, based more on the general conference idea.

WE HAVE QUOTAS NOW

Mississippi has the following quotas for these three weeks: First week, 150; second week, 120; third week, 100. The reservations will be taken for these weeks in the order they are received.

BASIS FOR RIDGECREST RESERVATIONS

The Sunday School Board, Nashville, has worked out the following basis for Ridgecrest representations this year:

Churches with Sunday school enrollment of 1 to 150, 3 leaders;

Churches with Sunday school enrollment of 151 to 300, 5 leaders;

Churches with Sunday school enrollment of 301 to 500, 10 leaders;

Churches with Sunday school enrollment of 501 to 1000, 15 leaders;

Churches with Sunday school enrollment of above 1000, 20 leaders.

This was done for the purpose of helping workers in a larger number of churches. The idea is to make it reach more churches, the small as well as the large.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Tuesday, February 24, is the day for the simultaneous associational Sunday school meetings for Mississippi.

March 9 is the Southwide day for these meetings, but March 9-10 is the time of our Mississippi Sunday School Convention at Meridian, so we are

using February 24 for Mississippi. Let us be sure and keep in mind this special day.

The purpose of these meetings is to make special plans for the largest possible program of work this year in each association.

The statewide meeting was held last October; the church meetings are to be in January and February, and the associational meetings are to be held on Tuesday, February 24. The associational Sunday school superintendents and missionaries will lead out in planning for these meetings. In associations that have neither of these workers, pastors and other Sunday school leaders will direct them. They have great possibilities if well planned.

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MARCH 28 IS THE DAY.

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"Twas Like Ridgecrest . . ."



MRS. A. L. GOODRICH

By Evie Landrum Goodrich

Two years ago I was invited to Clarke College to teach the W.M.U. Methods course for Dr. E. R. Pinson's Bible class of men and women. At first I felt a hesitancy in teaching men W. M. U. methods. But after having been with them only a short time I found they were interested in Missions, and especially the ministerial students were eager to know how to organize and maintain a missionary organization in a church.

The class was an inspiration to me. It was like Ridgecrest in atmosphere and spirit on the campus. The day began with prayer and the night closed with prayer. I have never seen a group that enjoyed singing more. The singing in the dining room and in chapel brought joy to all.

There was only one sad feature. And that was the fact that buildings were not adequate to care for the big crowd that had come from far and near to seek a Christian education.

Over and over again I found myself wishing for money to give Clarke College — a million dollars more or less! When I saw the splendid work that was done under handicaps I would think, "What could they do, if they had the needed buildings and equipment?" If Mississippi Baptists will each do what he can — much or little, — for one of our finest institutions, I believe there will be re-



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Majorie E. Moore writes that Wane Coleman and Jimmy Coney, of MC, contributed much to the North American Student Conference recently held at the Univ. of Kan. . . The U. S. Office of Education reports 2,338,226 college students in our country, 678,977 of whom are women, and 74,173 of whom are Negroes . . . Students interested in doing Youth Revival work next summer, let's hear from you.

At E. Central Jr., Dr. R. C. McGlamery, missionary appointee to South America, spoke to forty assembled for a party during which food and clothing were gathered for relief. One student was saved there last month and, as a result of Religious Emphasis Week, "many students were drawn much closer to the Lord." . . . Please pray for our local Student Secretaries' Seminar meeting here at the Baptist Bldg., today and tomorrow and also for the coming meeting of our State Council on January 31. . . Youth Revivals are being planned for First Church, Macon; First Church, Vicksburg; First Church, Canton, and First Church, Grenada, among other places. Since last report, four students have indicated they want to participate in these meetings this summer . . . One student was converted and three joined the Newton church from Clarke

joining in heaven as well as at Clarke College. I, for one, want to give an offering, and when all of us put our gifts together, it will be worthy enough for us to sing the Doxology with the faculty and students!

Note: Mrs. Goodrich, wife of Editor A. L. Goodrich of the Baptist Record, is the former Miss Evie Landrum, popular field worker for the W. M. U. of Mississippi, graduate of Mississippi College and the W.M.U. Training School of Louisville, Ky. She taught in the public schools of the state at Gloster, Louin, Flora and Benoit before she accepted the state Baptist work. Her sister, Miss Minnie Landrum, is W. M. U. Secretary in Brazil with headquarters at Rio de Janeiro. — MARGIE P. MCCALL.

last month. Also, 34 participated in hospital visitation, Negro Sunday School work, and street preaching. . . This coming Sunday, January 25, has been set for an offering in our churches to the American Bible Society. Be liberal and help to distribute God's Word to those who have never even heard of it. . . Dr. Louie Newton says, "We have got to begin with the boys and girls of today if we hope to have a generation of tithers tomorrow." Does this not prove the worthwhileness of pushing our student work to the limit? We have barely begun to win our students, our future denominational and secular leaders, to Christ and to an all-out loyalty to His church. Failure to win our students will be largely the reason in a few years for another generation of people who know not God. . . One or two churches and one college have indicated that they might invite us for our State Convention next fall, but no definite invitation has yet been extended. Is your church or college so inclined? . . . The tentative date for our Spring Retreat at Woman's College is April 9-10. If this doesn't suit you or your campus, please let us know. . . A student writes, "No secretary as yet but I have not lost faith that we will have one before long." . . . At Woman's College the BSU has charge of the chapel program every Wed. morning. . .

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Poplar Springs Calls Buckley

Rev. Henry Buckley has been called as pastor of Poplar Springs Church in Simpson County.

Mr. Buckley is also serving as pastor of Jupiter Church just west of D'Lo. and Mt. Zion Church in Smith County.

The program for the year in all of his work includes a budget, a building program and the Baptist Record going to every home.

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The Baptist Record appreciates receipt of a bound copy of the Southern Baptist Brotherhood Journal for 1947. This book would be a valuable addition to any library and particularly so to men.

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DR. JOHN D. FREEMAN

Dr. John D. Freeman, Rural church expert with the Home Mission Board will speak during the Associational Missionary Institute at Clarke College January 26-29 and will also hold conferences.

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Gov. Wright Commended By Natchez Group

Many resolutions are being received from various sections of the state on the liquor question. The Christian Citizen's League meeting recently at Westside Baptist Church, Natchez, commended Governor Wright for his efforts to retain and strengthen our Prohibition Law and also

"Resolved that the Governor use his best efforts to get a law enacted that will give the Governor power to appoint a force of officers who he can send into any County or City where the City or County officers fail or refuse to do their duty without the request of County or City officers but at the request of a committee of good and lawful citizens and not make it a request of a majority of citizens because the lawful citizens might be in a minority in some Counties or Cities."

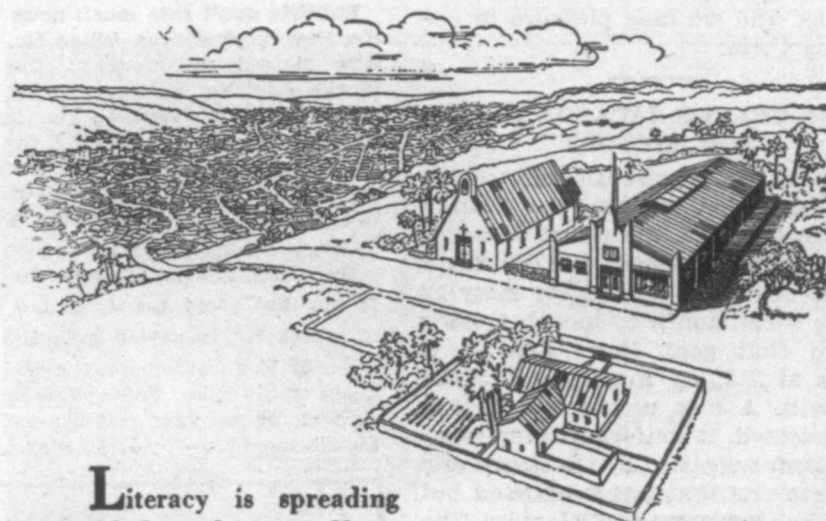
The Resolutions are signed by Wm. H. Reed, Ex-Sheriff and Chairman of the Committee.

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Methodist Bishop Charles S. Sealeman of Dallas, Texas, has called for the establishment of Protestant parochial schools to teach religion and morality.

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Literacy is spreading like wild fire wherever Christianity takes hold. Nigeria, with its twenty-two millions, was one time 93 per cent illiterate but today boys and girls, and men and women are learning basic English fast, and they read everything they get their hands on. They believe what they read. Nigerian Baptists plead for help in creating a Christian literature—reading matter that is simple but clean, true, and idealistic, and available at the price Africans can pay.

At Ibadan, the largest native city on the continent of Africa, the site chosen by the

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MISS IRMOGENE TUCKER

Standard Associational Training Unions are not such common things and when a leader succeeds in leading an associational union to reach the standard they have scored a great victory. This has been done by Miss Irmogene Tucker, Director of the Lauderdale Associational Training Union. Lauderdale is one of our large associations with nearly forty churches. All but one or two of these churches have a training union and many of them are doing a real job in the matter of training. Congratulations are in order and we take pleasure in extending them.

FIRST CHURCH JACKSON HEADS FOR VICTORY

William R. Jefferies, Director of the Training Union of the First Church Jackson has lead the union to adopt a goal of an enrollment of 1,000. Their reports read like a thrilling story as we see them month by month moving toward that goal. Now (Jan. 1) it stands at 718, an increase of 30 in a month. A new record system has been adopted. It conforms to the regular system suggested by the Board and displaces one that has been used but which has not proved satisfactory. The Bible Readers Crusade and Prayer meeting attendance is a part of their program in keeping with statewide promotion.

YOU HELPED US DO IT!

With growing interest on the part of all of us we have made our mark a little higher this year in training union than we have ever made it in Mississippi. Yes, it has been tops in many ways, in fact in every way. You helped us issue 19,346 study course awards distributed as follows—Administration, 2,204; Adult, 5,049; Young People, 3,593; Intermediate, 4,228; Junior, 4,272. Awards were issued to individuals in 70 of our 71 associations. Four of our associations issued more than 1,000 awards: Hinds-Warren, 1,822; Pike, 1,125; Jones, 1,080; Lebanon, 1,037. We reported six (6) Standard Associations, and nine (9) standard Training Unions. 134 standard awards were issued in the state which registered sixth place in the Southern Baptist Convention of 20 states. An average would be for Mississippi to be about 9th or 10th.

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Mr. A. D. RICHARDSON

Carthage was one of the nine Training Unions to reach the standard last year. At that time Mr. Richardson was the Training Union Director. He works just like he believes in the thing he is doing, and it is not "make belief." His zeal, and his executive ability worked together to help him in leading this splendid union to be among the leaders. Congratulations to all leaders, and we are not forgetful of the fact that it took the cooperation of "followers" as well to achieve this victory.

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Baptists don't rate much news value in the New York Times. When Dr. Johnson was elected president of the Baptist World Alliance the story was given a scant notice on next to the last page. When a new translation of the Church Fathers (Catholic) was announced, the same paper gave it one full column in the main news section. — Main St. Baptist.

Rev J. J. Hedgepath says he is going to see that every family in the churches of which he is pastor gets the Baptist Record. If no other way he will pay for it out of his tithe. This is fine spirit, and it will be a good investment of the Lord's money. — S. J. Rhodes. —

SPARKS & SPLINTERS

Visitors in the office of the Baptist Record during the past week were as follows: Rev. S. E. Sumrall, Lake; Rev. H. H. Ward, New Albany; Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Chambers, Vicksburg; Rev. Henry Bucklew, Clinton; Rev. H. P. Porter, Clinton; Rev. A. H. Leslie, Clinton; Mr. J. A. Howarth, Jr., Skene; Rev. D. I. Young, Jr., Skene; Odia McMurry, Skene; Kenneth Fairly, Clinton; Rev. Charles Ray, Clinton; Ivy C. Butler, Liberty; Rev. and Mrs. C. L. Boland and Donie, Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Texas; Dr. Judson Chastain, Poplarville.

Mississippi is well represented in the February issue of the Sunday School Builder. Miss Ruby Nell Walden, Educational Secretary, First Church, Jackson, has an interesting article, "Visitation in Building A New Class." Melvin Roberts, Educational Director of Calvary Church, Jackson, also has a helpful article under the title, "Success in Visitation Requires Leadership."

A week of Bible study was observed at the Friendship church near McComb, January 5-9. Pastor Glenn Smith conducted the studies, using the book of Ephesians. Under the fine leadership of the pastor this study proved to be helpful and enlightening. It was well attended and those who shared the classes received a blessing. At the last session a social hour was held with delicious refreshments.

Sending her renewal subscription for the Baptist Record, Mrs. Bessie Neal of Corinth wrote, "I appreciate and enjoy the Baptist Record and don't want to miss a copy."

On Sunday morning, Jan. 11, Dr. Webb Brame of Yazoo City and Dr. W. S. Hardin of Drew, made a happy exchange of pulpits. Both preached to capacity crowds. Dr. Brame became pastor of Drew Baptist Church just after the close of World War I, and under his leadership the present Church Plant was erected. The second Sunday in January, twenty-five years ago, marked the close of Dr. Brame's ministry in Drew. Dr. Brame has been pastor of First Baptist Church, Yazoo City for these past twenty-five years. Dr. Hardin is in the seventh year as pastor of the Drew Baptist Church.

The Baptist Record appreciated the 10 new subscriptions from New Prospect Church, Lincoln County which were sent in recently by Burton Waits, Route 2, Brookhaven.

Six new deacons were recently elected in a special business meeting of the First Baptist Church of Gulfport. Those elected were Wayne Amis, E. C. Coats, C. J. Darby, A. A. Lott, Vernal Stockstill and J. Paul Gates. The last named will fill the unexpired term of the late Wade H. Hatten. The others were elected for 5 year terms.

1948 Budget of the Collins Church, Rev. James E. Fairchild, pastor, totals \$16,521. One-third of all undesignated gifts are to go to the Cooperative Program. Other mission objects are: Baptist extension in Covington County, \$200; visiting speakers and missionaries, \$200; relief work in Covington County, \$200; Old Ladies Home, \$50; Old Mens' Home, \$50. Other items indicate the Collins Baptists plan a well-rounded program both at home and abroad.

Mrs. W. L. Culpepper, treasurer of Liberty Church in Lauderdale County sent in a nice list of renewals and new subscriptions and thus helped the Baptist Record on towards the 61,000 mark in circulation.

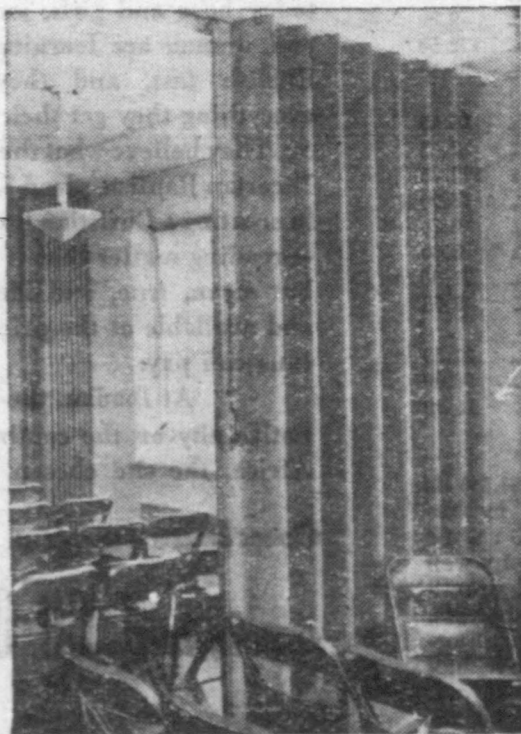
The Baptist Record is grateful to Mrs. Rob Johnson of Stringer for a nice list of new and renewal subscriptions. They helped the Baptist Record on toward the 60,000 mark.

Recently the WMU and Brotherhood of New Hope Church, Jones County, held special services in the home of Mrs. Margaret Overland who is 81 years of age. The program consisted of Scripture readings, songs and prayer. A special quartet sang most of Mrs. Overland's favorite songs. The meeting also included a bountiful shower of material gifts.

The proposed budget for the First Church at Louisville totals \$50,000. Rev. W. L. Day is pastor and Billy Watson is the Educational Director. Some of the items included in the budget are: Cooperative Program \$6,000, Winston County Association \$1,500, Christian Education \$2,400, Pastor's home \$5,000, Building fund \$10,000 Youth fund \$1,700, salaries \$11,400, WMU \$1,200.

Rev. Boyd Armstrong, Lowndes County Missionary, evidently had a busy year. It is impossible to publish the whole report but a few extracts will indicate some of his varied activities. The report shows 83 conferences, 299 calls, 2216 contacts, 4 Ordination Sermons, 1227 religious visits, 115 sermons preacher, one Sunday School stated, revived various classes and Training Unions, attended several state meetings and performed two weddings. There were 17 additions to the churches where he held services.

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THE LOCAL BROTHERHOOD ORGANIZATION

Many of our Brotherhoods are not performing the tasks for which they are intended mainly because, first, they are not fully organized, and second, the officers and committee chairmen do not know what their possibilities are. Even through some Brotherhoods have done good work with a skeleton organization, using only a part of the officers and none of the committees, we are convinced that they will never mean what they should to a church program until the organization is complete with the officers informed as to their duties and the committees instructed as to their possibilities. The following officers make up a fully organized Brotherhood: pastor, president, membership vice-president, program vice-president, activities vice-president, chorister, secretary-treasurer. These officers constitute the executive committee of a Brotherhood. The following are generally accepted committees in an average Brotherhood: worship committee, educational committee, evangelistic committee, financial committee, and benevolence committee. There may be more or less, depending upon the needs of the church. All of these committees are to work very closely with the activities vice-president, president and pastor.

The above organization might look like a dream — one that never existed. We are in position to say that there are many such organizations in our state where every officer is fully informed, where every committee is informed and meets monthly to make plans and check up on projects, where every officer and committee chairman reports at least once a month to the Brotherhood in session. We have an abundance of literature available upon request for each officer and committee. A penny postal card requesting such material will be promptly acknowledged.

W.A. Hogan Accepts Bay Springs Church



W. A. HOGAN

The people at Bay Springs Baptist church gave their new pastor, Rev. W. A. Hogan and his family a royal welcome, had a lovely dinner ready to serve and a supply of groceries in the pantry, and are responding to his leadership in a way that thrills him.

In a new pastor's home that he describes as a "dream house" they are already anticipating wonderful growth in the future.

At Decatur an excellent record underscores the pastoral leadership of the Hogans, in that a new annex planned was completed, (costing about \$10,000) with the encouragement of fine laymen; attendance records in Sunday School and Training Union were broken with an average attendance of 190 and 110 respectively, and a standard School with both departmentized completely. The church was redecorated inside and a beautiful baptistry arranged. New pews and furniture have been ordered. Securing of 260 steel chairs, largely through the assistance of Joe C. Taylor, gave adequate seating equipment.

In finances the church gave \$600 to the cooperative work and missions the year before Rev. Hogan's pastorate began, and last year the church gave \$3,000 for outside causes. At the time of his resignation the church had increased his salary to \$3,000 from \$1,800.

At the East Central Junior College, as Bible teacher, a great ministry was realized in the winning of many students in cooperation with the B.S.U. which was started by the Decatur pastor's influence. This full time B.S.U. work he is assured, will continue. Probably a score of students had been baptized and several volunteers for Christian service and the ministry have been called out. Rev. Hogan asks the prayers of his friends as he starts his new work.

A New Year In Home Missions



REV. C. Y. DOSSEY

Rev. C. Y. Dossey who was recently elected assistant superintendent of evangelism for the Home Mission Board.

By John Caylor

The new year in home missions anticipates a budget of \$1,365,000. It is hoped that the Co-operative Program will net the Home Board \$900,000 for its work. The Annie W. Armstrong offering in response to the March Week of Prayer and the special designations coming from various sources will complete the amount.

NEW MISSIONARIES

During the past year a number of new missionaries were appointed, but the total number of missionaries employed in home missions was reduced by 19, the exact number of missionaries passed to the Foreign Mission Board from the Home Mission Board force in Central American work. The new missionaries added during the past year were for replacements largely.

SECRETARIES RE-ELECTED

At the annual board meeting in December Dr. J. B. Lawrence was re-elected as executive secretary-treasurer with Rev. Courts Redford as assistant. J. W. Wing and B. M. Crain were chosen again as office secretaries. Heads of the various departments, together with the missionaries and

field secretaries, were re-appointed. There are now 709 missionaries and staff members.

A GOOD RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENT

As home missionaries begin their new year, they are encouraged by the records of the past year which indicate that more conversions, more additions to the churches, more efficient work, and more abiding interest, seemed to be universally evident.

EVANGELISM DEPARTMENT REINFORCED

In addition to the service of Dr. C. E. Matthews, superintendent of evangelism, the Board has provided as assistant for the department. Rev. C. Y. Dossey, former pastor in Illinois and Texas, and for nineteen years an evangelist, has been appointed assistant superintendent of evangelism.

NEW BOOKS

Spiritual Frontiers by Courts Redford, a book surveying the work, the needs, and the challenge of home missions, was released through the bookstores January 1. The response to the announcement of the book has been gratifying. Approximately twenty thousand copies have been ordered.

Other books in the 1948 graded series on home missions are: *Amazing Grace* by Louie D. Newton, a biography of the late M. N. McCall, a word picture of Cuba, and a report of forty-two years of progress in home missions in Cuba; *The Ice Cutter* by Phyllis Sapp, the thrilling life story of Dr. J. B. Rounds, Indian missionary; *These Were First*, brief biographies of seven home missionaries; and *Strawberry Road*, by Margaret Hutchinson, a picture storybook of a migrant child.

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TARBELL'S TEACHERS' GUIDE for 1948 (\$2.50) published by Fleming H. Revell Company, New York, is up to its usual high standard. The Watchman examiner says of it, "An indispensable aid; a treasury of systematized truth. Users will come before the classes with new assurance and new joy." Any teacher will find a wealth of material concerning the International Sunday School Lessons. Orders should be sent to the publisher or to the Baptist Book Store.



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Parkway Pioneers In Adult Building Move

The age-group division of classes of the adult departments of the Sunday School of Parkway Baptist Church, Jackson, has proved a marked success in the three months since it was instituted, according to the quarterly report of Superintendent Curtis L. Beard to the church. This classification by ages of adult members has increased the number of classes from five to eleven, with a remarkable increase in enrollment and attendance, not only in the adult departments but other departments as well. The October-December quarter showed an 18% increase in average attendance of the whole school over the year before, from 508 in 1946 to 600 in 1947.

Increased efficiency has been revealed. The school has already qualified during the first quarter of this church year for application for recognition as a Standard Sunday School. Several departments achieved the requirements for their respective Standards: Beginner III (Mrs. O. C. Strickland, Supt.), Primary I (Mrs. E. S. White, Supt.), Intermediate (W. Earl Clark, Supt.), Cradle Roll (Mrs. E. E. Hemphill, Supt.) and Nursery III (Mrs. W. I. Barron, Supt.) The T. E. L. Class, taught by Mrs. K. O. Fryant, was the first in Mississippi to apply for recognition as a Standard Class for the year 1947-48.

The increased enrollment, attendance and efficiency are all the result of increase of number of classes, teachers, and class officers. This was made possible, according to the pastor, Dr. G. Norman Price, by the increased space provided the new Adult Building. This recently completed unit of Parkway's modern educational plant is said by William P. Phillips of the Sunday School

MRS. W. B. KENNA

Since, in the wisdom of God, He has seen fit to call home his servant, Eula Dampeer Kenna, wife of our brother, W. B. Kenna.

Whereas, she strove courageously, always calm and serene with faith in her Lord as she lived from day to day.

Whereas, her love and faith were a constant example and source of inspiration to all who knew her and, whereas, in the hearts of her many friends, she leaves a memory too beautiful for words.

Whereas, we feel that our church and community have suffered a great loss in her going, but the influence of her life will live on in the hearts of her loved ones and friends.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church, Lexington, extend to this family our sincere sympathy and especially to our beloved brother and deacon, W. B. Kenna, in the loss of his companion.

Be it further resolved that a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the W.M.S., one copy be sent to the County Paper, one to the Baptist Record, and one copy to Mr. W. B. Kenna. Sleep on, dear Eula, and take your rest. Sleep on, dear Eula—God knows best. Sleep on, unmindful of the raging storm. Sleep on, dear Eula, 'till your Coronation morn.

MRS. J. F. WILLIAMS
MRS. L. E. BURNETTE
MRS. VERNON KING

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New Liberty Church at Calhoun is one of the churches that helped the Baptist Record to reach the 60,000 mark in circulation. Mrs. J. B. Hollis, Church Clerk sent a nice list of new and renewal subscriptions.

Board to be the first among Southern Baptists designed and provided for the sole use of adult departments.

Department Of Temperance Activities

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RUTH STERLING, Office Secretary

Many of our Christian people over the state of Mississippi deplore the conditions that prevail because of liquor and laxness in law enforcement. They are willing to express their attitude freely both in private conversation and in public meetings, but entirely too many are rendering lip service only. It is good to meet in church circles, Christian Citizens' League, and otherwise to: weep bitter briny tears over the ravages of rum, agree that something must be done about it, and show our colors in these meetings. We should not stop with this, however. Everyone who is interested should be willing to put forth some effort beyond lip service.

ACT NOW

The fight is on right now in the legislature, and most of our legislators will vote to strengthen and enforce our prohibition laws and for the repeal of the Black Market Tax Law if enough of the people who elected them contact

them. What have you done to let your representatives and senators know how you feel with reference to the liquor situation? If you have not already done so, write them a letter immediately, and let them know that you are counting on them to use their influence to strengthen and enforce our prohibition laws. One representative came into our office as we were beginning this article to tell us of his interest in the fight. He asked that we write to the pastors of his county and urge them to send in resolutions to be read in the House. He at least implies that his constituency had not been contacting him. If men like this could receive hundreds of letters from Christian people at home, they could use them effectively in the bitter fight that is sure to come in this legislature. Please do it now. What right has one to sit back and criticize, who is not willing to lend a helping hand. Let us not wait until it must be said, "too little and too late."

A nationwide organization of evangelicals interested in the separation of church and state will be known as the "Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church and State." Dr. Edwin McNeil Potat is president. Vice-presidents include Dr. C. C. Morrison, Methodist Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, and Dr. John A. Mackey. Dr. J. M. Dawson is the recording secretary.

MARCH 28 IS THE DAY.

The Daniel Baptist Church held a Sunday School Workers' Conference and Class Officers' Clinic on Thursday night, January 8. Under the splendid leadership of Mr. Clinton Smith, Superintendent, the meeting was a big success, according to Pastor Wayne E. Todd. A record crowd of 100 attended. Spokesmen for the church stated that with such enthusiasm as was shown by those present, there is no limit to what can be accomplished by the Sunday School in promoting the cause during the coming year.

"Clarke College Gives Best Christian Service for Money Spent"

Dr. W. H. Sumrall



Dr. W. H. Sumrall, Head of Graduate Studies and Professor of Psychology, Mississippi Southern College, Hattiesburg, Miss.

God surely must have a place in His Kingdom for Clarke Memorial College, or else she would have died years ago when open graves stood yawning to receive her. Through all her tribulations and trials she has lived and wrought among us. A constant stream of consecrated young Christian personality has flowed from her walls to bless the world. I feel confident of my statement when I say that Clarke Memorial College has rendered a greater Christian service to our great domination for the money expended than any other institution. This is not meant to reflect in the least on our other institutions, because they have all returned a hundred fold for every dollar spent. The sacrifices made by the Clarke faculties that have served through the years deserve the greatest credit for their contributions. I am a graduate of the institution myself and have had the great privilege of serving on the faculty. There is a spirit of devotion and loyalty to Clarke College that is seldom achieved in any other institution. True devotion and loyalty are born in sacrifice. Certainly, Clarke College has offered ample opportunity for sacrifice.

The United Nations organization, the Marshall Plan, or any and all other plans that have been or may be proposed to solve the World's ills and bring peace to a distraught planet will fail unless the peoples of the world are brought together at the foot of the Cross of Christ. Christian Education, therefore, holds out hope for such an accomplishment. Education alone is not sufficient. Germany and Japan were considered two of the best educated nations, and yet they bathed the world in blood and set back civilization a thousand years. The world needs Clarke College and Christian education now as never before. If you desire to invest in everlasting securities which will multiply as the years go by invest in the Clarke Memorial College campaign!

Dr. Sumrall, one of Mississippi's most distinguished educators, went to Mississippi Southern recently, after resigning as Dean at Mississippi College. At Clinton he was rated for many years as one of the most popular faculty members and considered by the students as their "friend". At his going they felt a personal loss. Although brilliantly educated he always maintained the "common touch" that students appreciate. In addition to the B. S. degree from Clarke, he holds the B. A. and M. A. from Mississippi College and the Ph.D. from Indiana University. His plea underscores efforts of Mississippi Baptists to make a worthy offering to the school on MARCH 28, which is CLARKE COLLEGE DAY.

Sunday School Lesson

Prepared By Bracey Campbell

WHEN WE WORK WITH GOD. II
CORINTHIANS 5:20-6:10; Hebrews 11.
I. Characteristics of the Work. It is essential work, like some of the industries in war-time, it is work which must go on or the conflict between the right and the wrong will be lost. It must go on, therefore, because it involves the deepest needs and the most remarkable experiences that a human heart can ever know. The issues which hang upon the faithfulness of this work involve the eternal welfare of every heart that throbs anywhere or ever shall.

It is redemptive work. Men are sold under sin, bound to do evil, helpless bondslaves to the prince of darkness. The work of him who works for God is to loose the bondslave, to buy back the man sold under sin. It is saving work. The natural man is lost, the work of God's helper is to find the lost. The sinning man is going to waste in all his capacity for doing good under God; the work of God's servant is to save the wasting powers of the sinning man.

It is rewarded work. God will be put under obligation to no man. Ever He is the great giver. Salvation is His gracious gift, always of Grace, never of merit. After the gift of salvation from God, He gives reward for every deed done for Him. The gift in His name of a cup of cold water will not go unrewarded. He will reward you more richly than your service deserves, that you may not say "I have merited this reward."

II. Ground of Our Work With God.
I. Cor. 5:21. 'Him who knew no sin he made sin on our behalf; that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.' Christ knew no sin. On this matter all witnesses agree, while Christ himself asserts once and again that is free from sin. He confessed no fault. He asked no pardon; He defied anyone to convict him of sin. But He was made sin. I do not know how, but I know He was, that He was brought into such intimate relation with the thing He hated as to be spoken of as having become identified with it. He somehow became IT. So God the Father turned His face from the thing which our Lord had for our sake become. It was for our sakes, remember, "Yet for your sakes He." was made sin. To what end, then? "That we might become the righteousness of God in Him." The righteousness of God, the righteousness which has its source in God, the righteousness which springs from God, the God-made righteousness, the special righteousness which God wrought out in Christ—we are that righteousness. Now a righteousness made for us and thus made for us furnishes a reason strong enough to trust us into a work with God and to hold us in it through all our years, here and hereafter.

III. Classification of the Workers
When Working for God. "We are ambassadors therefore on behalf of Christ, as though God were entreating by us: we beseech on behalf of Christ, be ye reconciled to God." Why say "therefore," Paul. All because Paul has been talking about How God had gone to the extent of expressing His eternal love in the provision of salva-

tion for men of whom Paul and his readers form a number. He had loved them, brought them, sought them, brought them to Himself, thereby making them heirs of many exceeding great and precious promises not only, but had bound them under an inescapable responsibility. Paul said (I Cor. 9:16). "Necessity is laid upon me; woe is me if I preach not the gospel." We who are reconciled are unreconciled, and our obligation is that of ambassador from the court of heaven. But is that not a high honor. Of course it is, Man. Any time God lays a heavy duty upon you, He increases your strength every way. Any time He writes your duty plain on one side of a big placard or billboard, he writes your opportunity on the other side. Biggest compliment He can pay you is to assign you to a big task. And the biggest task a redeemed man get on this earth is that of representing the court of heaven to the court of man. This is the peculiar and glorious work of God, this providing of reconciliation to Himself. And God honors most highly of all men the man whom he commissions ambassador from Himself to men. In your call to Him resides also your commission.

IV. A Living Faith the Vital Force
When We Work Together for God.
Hebrews 11.

"By faith Abraham — Moses." So through the long list of the names of them in this great chapter. They wrought wonders of endurance, resistance, performance. Abraham went, not knowing where, except that he walked with God. He never had a settled home, but he looked for one in the beyond. The same is true of Moses. He never had a home. When the way lay open before him he chose to suffer affliction with the people of God than to have it easy in a position which did violence to the court of his conscience. Abraham chose, Moses chose. I wonder why. Maybe they made the right choices in the light of good teaching, directly for God or from someone who God had commissioned to work in His place, or through whom he could work His righteous will, and in the light of that fine teaching, they made the right choices. And do you wonder that the children of the good home (mind I did not say "The rich home, or the cultured home, but the "good home") make, as a rule almost without exception, good choices? Under Him we can create a good home for the young people who live at that home, or frequently visit it, to make the right choices.

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Mississippi Calendar of Prayer

January 26 — County wide Training Union for Sunday School workers - Copiah Co.

January 27 — Rev. Carey Cox, Association Sunday School Superintendent - Copiah Co.

January 28 — Church-to-Church Training Union Visitation Program in Jackson, Pearl River, Pike, Walthall, Gulf Coast, Covington, Lawrence, Smith, Marion, Jeff Davis, Simpson and Mississippi Associations.

January 29 — Dr. A. L. Goodrich, Editor, Baptist Record.

January 30 — The Holmes, Vice-President, Mississippi Baptist Brotherhood Convention.

January 31 — State BSU Council Meeting, Jackson.

February 1 — Mrs. Ned Rice, State Stewardship Chairman, WMU.

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MARCH 28 IS THE DAY.

PARKWAY WORKERS PLAN INTERMEDIATE PROGRAM



PARKWAY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

In this group we see Mrs. C. C. Lipscomb, Director Intermediate Department of Parkway Baptist Church Training Union, together with members of her Executive Committee, as they met in her home to discuss plans for the further growth of this active department in one of Jackson's most aggressive churches. January 1, 1948 showed a membership of 85 members in this department. Parkway Baptist Training Union now has enrolled 337 members.

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Warren County Pastors Organize

The Warren County Baptist Pastors' Conference was recently organized at Vicksburg. Those in attendance were Rev. Homer Roberson, Bowmar, Ave., Rev. Robert Dixon, Calvary, Dr. D. Swan Haworth, First, Rev. Phil Walker, County Missionary and Rev. Frank H. Thomas, Woodlawn Church. The meeting was held at the Bowmar Ave. Church where they were the guests of the pastor at lunch. Officers elected to serve for the coming year, are Rev. Robert Dixon, president and Rev. Frank H. Thomas, secretary. Educational directors of the various churches are included in the organization.

Plans were perfected for an immediate program through which the conference could combat the sale of liquor and other alcoholic beverages in Vicksburg and Warren County. It was generally agreed that such a movement should include all denominations. It was decided therefore that action would be taken through the Warren County Ministerial Association. The purposes to be served by such an organization are three fold. Plans for concerted action in matters pertaining to civic righteousness can be more easily perfected, problems which are common to all the churches in the Warren County Association can be freely discussed and solutions arrived at, and programs built around the exposition of the Scriptures can be presented which would open up new avenues of thought for the pastors.

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CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

By Rev. Leon V. Young

CALLED AND ACCEPTED

George Milton Hall, Middletown, Ky.
 D. Wade Armstrong, Covert Ave., Evansville, Ind.

Wallace R. Harless, Emmanuel, Jeffersonville, Ind.

C. C. Memman, Westville, Indianapolis, Ind.

G. O. Cavanah, Smithland, Ky.
 W. A. Luckie, Whitfield Memorial, Pensacola, Fla.

Harrison Crews, Hopewell, Plant City, Fla.

W. H. Faulkner, Associational Missionary, Barbour, Ala.

Reece B. Ridgeway, Providence Church, DeKalb Association, Ala.

E. C. Vanderpool, Cainsville, Mo.

Lee C. Shepherd, Columbia, Mo.

W. C. Link, Second, Liberty, Mo.

Wayne Minor, First, Savanaha, Mo.

W. D. Morris, First, Scotland Neck, N. C. from Oakland Church, Roanoke, Va.

George Herring, Beulah, Strawberry Association, Va.

C. S. Cadwallader, Independent Evangelist, Ruston, La., resigning Ruston, First Church.

40 & 25 Years Ago

By Rev. J. L. Boyd, Sr.

40 YEARS AGO

Concerning the New Year, Dr. Bryan Simmons wrote: "There is one opportunity for doing much good to which I desire to direct your attention. It is in writing to our religious paper. This opportunity rightly used will afford a two-fold benefit. (1). It means self-development. (2) The good we may bring to the lives of others.

25 YEARS AGO

Brother V. B. Tucker of Ecru sends check for subscription to the Baptist Record for himself and his six children, saying: - "he wishes them fed spiritually as well as physically."

Dr. H. M. King in announcing the death of their Senior Deacon, Mr. P. B. Bridges of the Calvary Baptist church, Jackson, says: "So calm, so beautiful, so unassuming was his life, that we were unconscious of its full sway over the church and pastor, until he had slipped away."

A recent 11-nation Gallup Poll indicated that 94 percent of the American people believe in God, but only 68 per cent believe in life after death. In France, only 68 per cent of those polled believe in God. The poll showed that more older people than younger people believe in God, and more rural than urban.

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A REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE TO STUDY FIELDS OF THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION

At the last meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention, a special committee, consisting of the following brethren, was created by the Convention: Wade H. Bryant, First Baptist Church, Roanoke, Va.; R. C. Campbell, First Baptist Church, Little Rock, Ark.; W. Douglas Hudgins, First Baptist Church, Jackson, Miss; Edgar Godbold, President of Louisiana College, Pineville, La.; J. W. Storer, First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Okla.; Wallace Bassett, Cliff Temple Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas; A. L. Aulick, Eastern New Mexico College, Portales, N. M.; Paul Caudill, First Baptist Church, Memphis, Tenn.; John H. Buchanan, Southside Baptist Church, Birmingham, Ala., Chairman.

To this committee, the Convention committed a twofold task: First, to deal with the memorial from the Golden Gate Baptist Seminary, Berkeley, Calif. This memorial requested that a committee be created by the Southern Baptist Convention to study the advisability of accepting the Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary as a Southern Baptist Convention institution, and to report its findings at the next meeting of the Convention. The Convention also adopted a recommendation of its Executive Committee that a committee of nine be created to make a study and a survey of the whole field of theological education as committed to Southern Baptists. The above committee was instructed to deal with both of these actions of the Convention.

The committee has had one full meeting and divided itself into subcommittees to deal with particular phases of this survey. Several of these subcommittees have met a number of times. It was the feeling of the committee as a whole that we ought to make a scientific and comprehensive survey of the whole field of theological education in the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention. This survey contemplates a careful study of the existing institutions of the Southern Baptist Convention; also the work of the colleges and universities in their Bible department, the number of young ministers seeking theological training, etc.

The committee has sought the guidance of Dr. Hartshorn of Yale University and Dr. Floyd of New York, who recently conducted a survey of theological education throughout the North. We have secured the services of Dr. J. E. Dillard and Mr. Porter Routh to actually conduct this survey. These brethren are devoting themselves now to this tremendous task. When the data has been assembled, then the committee will, on the basis of the facts of the situation, seek to bring to Southern Baptists recommendations as to the pattern of theological education which will best serve the needs of the Convention in the present and future. No member of the committee felt that we ought to attempt any recommendation until we had, as far as humanly possible, a complete grasp of the situation which obtains.

The committee most respectfully requests that no Baptist convention or association take action in the establishing of theological seminaries or Bible schools if such action is based on the assumption that such institution can become a Southern Baptist agency, until this special committee has made its report to the Convention. The committee does not mean by this request to infer that any Baptist group should be limited in establishing any agency for which that group will assume the full responsibility; but our committee has unanimously voted that we will make no commitment or give any assurance to any institution of Southern Baptist Convention support until this survey has been completed and

a careful consideration of its findings has been made by the committee and all other interested Southern Baptists whose counsel we can obtain. The committee wants the brotherhood to know that it is working at the task seriously and as intelligently as we are capable.

Signed,
JOHN H. BUCHANAN,
Chairman.

PROGRESS REPORTED BY CALIFORNIA BAPTISTS

By A. F. Crittendon

The Southern Baptist General Convention of California was organized September 13, 1940, with a membership of 13 churches by November 1, 1947, the number of churches in our fellowship had increased to 170. The number of associational organizations has increased from one, seven years ago to sixteen today. Total receipts for all missionary causes have increased from \$976.64 in 1941 to \$175,034.47 in 1947.

Reports show that the membership of the churches increased from 11,427 in 1946 to 15,985 in 1947, - a gain of 48%. The Sunday School enrollment increased from 13,515 in 1946 to 19,988 in 1947, - a gain of 47.9% while the Training Union enrollment increased from 5,014 in 1946 to 7,424 in 1947, - a gain of 48%. The W. M. U. membership increased from 2,270 in 1946 to 3,563 in 1947, - a gain of 57%. The churches reported 3,012 tithers, which is almost one tither for each five members. The tithing crusade has increased that number by many hundred since October 1st. The churches reported 2,572 baptisms during 1947, which is one baptism for each 4.5 members in our churches. There are more than 7,000,000 unchurched people in the territory.

Not one of the churches has an adequate church building and all are lacking in equipment. Many of our churches are worshipping in rented lodge halls; club rooms, remodeled store buildings, converted dwellings, tents and churches rented from other denominations. About half of them are engaged in building, remodeling or buying church property.

It is my earnest and honest conviction that mission money invested in any of these causes will yield greater dividends than any investment you can make elsewhere. We invite you to share with us the burdens and the victories of this glorious crusade.

MINISTER GIVES 50% OF OIL PROFITS TO CHARITY

LAWTON, Okla. —(RNS)— The Rev. Perry McArthur, Methodist preacher here, is using 50 per cent of the profits from his 17 new oil wells for charitable purposes.

Mr. McArthur and his wife have already bought three buildings for use as a Negro hospital and nurses' school. The hospital, a 50-bed institution, will be the only one for Negroes in Lawton.

"My wife and I once saw a Negro woman nearly lose her life because we could not get her into a local hospital," the clergyman said. "We knelt down after that and made a vow to help the Negro race if ever we had the opportunity."

First of the minister's new oil wells came in on February 12, 1947. He is now drilling the 18th well on the farmlands inherited by his wife.

MARCH 28 IS THE DAY.

Help! For 62,000 Hungry Americans

The Navajo Indian tribe numbering more than 60,000, with its vast reservation located in northwest New Mexico and northeast Arizona, is in dire need of food and clothing for the winter. Complete crop failure and continued drought is cause of immediate distress.

According to recent press articles the Navajo Indians have made available an appropriation of \$243,000 of their own funds from the sale of tribal timber to meet this emergency, but this is less than \$2.50 per capita. President Truman is extending assistance to rescue these Indians and prevent "starvation on the reservation."

Southern Baptists have two missionary couples doing work on this enormous reservation. One is Rev. and Mrs. Harold Baer, Tonalea, Arizona, (which is off the railroad) and the other is Rev. and Mrs. S. L. Isaacs, Baptist Indian Center, Gallup, New Mexico.

Southern Baptists should help these "first Americans." Some gifts of money and merchandise are already on the way. One of the first to be received was a \$50 check from one of our chaplains now serving in the region around Frankfurt, Germany. Cash contributions, non-perishable foodstuffs, and clothing will be received and distributed by Rev. S. L. Isaacs, Baptist Indian Center, 400 West Warren, Gallup, New Mexico.

Editor's Note: The Choctaw Indians of Mississippi of their own efforts have sent me \$80.92 for the aid of the starving Navajos in New Mexico and Arizona. This offering was inspired not by our white missionaries but by a full-blooded Mississippi Choctaw Indian named Nichols Beall of Route No. 7, Philadelphia, Mississippi. Sometime we are asked if Indians are appreciative. This is an indication that they are.

CHURCHES ARE ADOPTING KINDERGARTEN PROJECT

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. —(RNS)— An educational experiment begun by a Chattanooga church with some misgivings has developed "almost overnight" into a model and expanding project.

Brainerd Methodist church organized a kindergarten last February which has already doubled its enrollment, prompted a \$100,000 building plan and inspired similar schools in six other churches.

"This school reflects a new thinking in religious circles," says Dr. T. L. Williams, pastor. "While its organization was prompted by an active need, the kindergarten's growth and future have a more far-reaching purpose. Like many churches, ours was a valuable building used only on Sundays a year ago. Now it is concerned with a seven-day-week program. Some day we hope to add music and dramatic instruction for older children."

The school started when Brainerd parents, among them Dr. Williams were confronted with the need of a neighborhood kindergarten for their children. They balked at the idea of starting one, however, faced with lack of equipment and experience.

As it worked out, several Sunday school rooms of the church were used for classrooms, and donations from the congregations plus a \$5 registration fee for each pupil took care of basic equipment requirements. Sixty children enrolled immediately and a non-profit, interdenominational school was begun. Enrollment has grown to 125, with five new teachers added to the staff.

Begging Bibles And Presents Is A Racket For Some

By Missionary W. H. Carson

We are sorry to have to report that writing Americans for Bibles, fountain pens bicycles and typewriters has now become a racket and some young Africans are carrying on for all they can get. They sell these articles and one young African did so well that he was able to open up his own book store. A California woman sent him money orders to carry on Bible Classes and take evangelistic trips that he never once expected to carry out. He can write a letter that literally deceives the very elect. In fact, while he claimed to be a Baptist member of one Church where we work, he never attended one time that I saw. Another young man assumed the roll of a young woman who wanted an education and needed money. To prove that he was a real African girl he sent his sister's picture. His letters from a zealous Baptist young woman came addressed to "Miss Jummo." When the money came addressed to "Miss Jummo's" education it was sent through one of our missionaries and then the matter was exposed. One of our young African printers got some names of young women to whom he heard he could write as PEN-PARTNERS. He seemed to think the word PEN-PARTNER meant that the PEN-PARTNER would send him a fountain pen. Though he has one part that he does not use, he has received one from America and has the promise of another.

There are a number of African boys and girls who need Bibles, but the needy ones can get them through the missionaries of their station or through the secretary of the Mission to whom all Christian literature should be sent.

REPORT MIRACULOUS CURE OF PROTESTANT WOMAN

NASHVILLE, Tenn. —(RNS)— Her physicians and pastor have declared "an act of God" the miraculous healing of Mrs. Mary Turbeville of Nashville.

Mrs. Turbeville, age 35, had been an invalid for eight years and her condition was described by physicians as hopeless. But on Thanksgiving Day she rose to her feet and walked.

A physician was called, and even after a thorough examination was unable to find a scientific explanation of the cure.

"I just felt happy," said Mrs. Turbeville, explaining how she had decided to get up and walk after her husband had helped her from the bed to a chair. "I just felt limber all over, and felt like I shouldn't be sitting down there."

Mrs. Turbeville told reporters that members of Grace Baptist church, where she is a member, had been praying for her recovery for many months. And she emphasized: "It was the work of God. It was a faith cure."

Dr. W. Leonard Stigler, pastor of Grace church, said he has investigated the circumstances of Mrs. Turbeville's illness and recovery and is convinced it was a miraculous cure. She said that up until the time of her abrupt decision to walk she had been unable to close her fingers, to turn her head or to feed herself.

Meanwhile, Mrs. Turbeville, convinced her cure is real, came to town last week and bought a pair of shoes